

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Itzhak Parnafes et al.

Serial No.: 09/586,531

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Examiner: Derrick W. Ferris

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS PROVIDING
AUTOMATIC RESV MESSAGE GENERATION FOR
NON-RESV-CAPABLE NETWORK DEVICES

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DECLARATION

I hereby declare:

1. I, Christopher J. Brokaw, am an Attorney authorized and having the capacity to represent Cisco Technology, Inc. before the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the above referenced patent application. I am declaring the following based on information obtained while acting in this capacity.
2. The application names the following inventors (herein "named inventors"): Itzhak Parnafes, Shai Mohaban, Silvano Gai, and Dinesh Dutt. Two of the named inventors co-authored the *Gai* reference, namely Silvano Gai and Dinesh Dutt.
3. I prepared a declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, a copy of the patent application, a copy of the present pending claims, a copy of the *Gai* reference, and a letter explaining the declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (collectively the "prepared documentation") for Itzhak Parnafes. A copy of the prepared documentation is attached as Exhibit A. I mailed, via certified

mail, the prepared documentation to Itzhak Parnafes at his last known address on two occasions, once on October 28, 2005, and another on March 29, 2006.

4. Copies of the prepared documentation, mailed to Itzhak Parnafes on October 28, 2005 to two last known addresses for Mr. Parnafes, were returned to me and marked "Return to Sender" from one address, but accepted at a second address on November 2, 2005. Scanned images of the envelope of the prepared documentation mailed to Itzhak Parnafes and the return postcard are attached as Exhibit B. Attempts to reach Itzhak Parnafes by phone were unsuccessful, as the operator informed me that no one in California has a phone number registered under the name Itzhak Parnafes.

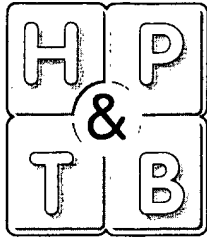
5. Copies of the prepared documentation, mailed to Itzhak Parnafes on March 29, 2006, to the last addresses for Mr. Parnafes at which someone accepted mail on November 2, 2005, were returned to me. The phrase "MOVED NO FORWARD ON FILE" was written on the outside of the package. Scanned images of the envelope of the prepared documentation mailed to Itzhak Parnafes and the return postcard are attached as Exhibit C. Attempts to reach Itzhak Parnafes by phone were unsuccessful, as the operator confirmed to me that no one in California has a phone number registered under the name Itzhak Parnafes and attempts to obtain a phone number for Itzhak Parnafes using Internet search tools were not successful.

6. The undersigned being warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements and the like may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom, declares that all statements herein made of his/her own knowledge are true, and all statements herein made on information and belief are believed to be true.



CHRISTOPHER J. BROKAW

Signed at San Jose, CA, this 28 day of
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March 29, 2006

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/586,531
Filed: May 31, 2000
Entitled: "Method And Apparatus Providing Automatic Resv Message
Generation For Non-Resv-Capable Network Devices"
Our Reference: 50325-0085; Cisco Reference: Seq. No. 1511

Dear Itzhak:

I write regarding the above-identified patent application of which you are an inventor. The U.S. Patent Office is currently rejecting the pending claims of your patent application based on a reference that discusses your own invention. Since the cited reference being used against your patent application discusses your own invention, we can prevent the U.S. Patent Office from considering it in the examination of your patent application.

To that end, I have enclosed the following documents:

- (1) A copy of the above-identified patent application as originally filed;
- (2) A copy of the currently pending claims;
- (3) A petition for your signature; and
- (4) A copy of the cited reference that discusses your own invention (Exhibit A).

Please review the petition and the accompanying materials. The purpose of the petition is to verify that, to the best of your knowledge, Exhibit A either describes your own work, or is derived from your own work. Silvano Gai and Dinesh Dutt, co-inventors on your application, are listed as co-authors of the reference of Exhibit A. Silvano, Dinesh, and Shai have explained to me that each of you conceived of the invention prior to the publication of Exhibit A, and that the purpose of publicizing the reference of Exhibit A was to present your invention to the Internet community.

Please review and sign the petition. After you have signed the petition, please:

- (a) Fax a copy, with your signature, to my attention at 408-414-1076, **no later than April 7, 2006**; and
- (b) Mail the original signed petition to:

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If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me. Additionally, if you have any questions about any of your patent applications during their pendency before the U.S. Patent Office, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'CB' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

Christopher J. Brokaw

Encls: as listed above